



Reply To: 3460

Date: March 18, 1993

Mr. Tim Morgan
Ravenna Army Ammunition Plant
8451 State Route 5
Ravenna, OH 44266-9297

Dear Tim:

On March 10 and 11, 1993, you gave Jim Dobson and myself an informative talk and then a tour of Ravenna Arsenal. The tour of this 26,000 acre US Army facility included visits to forested areas that had been recently harvested, forested areas that are marked for harvests, a sugar bush operation, a small hemlock ecosystem, etc. We also stopped at the ten grid points that had the highest gypsy moth catches during the 1992 trapping season. All ten of these grid points (1, 8, 11, 36, 41, 44, 73, 74, 89, and 102) had gypsy moth catches of at least 140.

Egg mass surveys were conducted at each of these 10 grid points. One egg mass was detected at both grid points 1 and 74. No egg masses were detected at the other eight grid points. The gypsy moth population continues to grow at Ravenna Arsenal but it is still very small. Noticeable defoliation or larval nuisance should not occur at Ravenna Arsenal in 1993.

The gypsy moth trapping program should continue at all 135 grid points in 1993. As discussed, burlap bands should be deployed at the 10 grid points listed above.

As requested, I have enclosed two copies of SILVAH and I have also put your name on the mailing lists for the Gypsy Moth News and the Forest Management Update. Listed below is a technical point of contact from the Wayne National Forest that you also requested.

Phil Perry, Forester
Wayne Hoosier National Forest
Athens Ranger District
219 Columbus Road
Athens, OH 45701
614-592-6644

Hopefully the information that I provided you on the gypsy moth, other forest insects, forest management and pesticides will prove useful to you. Please feel free to contact Brad Onken or myself at 304-285-1541 about forest management practices or forest insect and disease problems.



Jim and I really enjoyed our guided tour of Ravenna Arsenal. It gave us a good overview of the forested areas at this facility.

Sincerely,

Rodney L. Whiteman

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Enclosure

cc: AO
Alan Baumgard, ODA
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